



# **Waste Management and Disposal Policy**

## POLICY OBJECTIVE

To manage waste collected from households and waste disposed of at Council's Waste Management Centres.

## LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

*Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (POEO)*

## POLICY STATEMENT

1. Non-residents with authorised Goulburn Mulwaree Council Rural Waste Cards issued through Upper Lachlan Shire Council have access to dispose of domestic waste, in accordance with the conditions of the rural waste cards, at any of Council's Waste Management Centre.
2. Waste generated in regulated (levy paying) areas of NSW is not accepted at Council's Waste Management Centres. This includes waste from Wingecarribee Local Government Area and Greater Sydney.
3. Except as noted in 1 above, all waste from outside the area will only be accepted at Council's Waste Management Centres upon payment of a tipping fee as described in the Fees and Charges for non-residents contained in Council's annual Fees and Charges.
4. Council has the right to refuse to collect or accept waste for any reasonable reason. Council may also require waste to be tested to ensure EPA licence and legislative requirements are met.
5. Council will follow a three step process to refuse collection of recycling or organic waste bins containing contamination, or general waste bins containing unsafe items. This will include:
  - Education through placing a sticker or tag on the bin and asking the resident to remove the contamination or unsafe item prior to collection the following week.
  - Education combined with enforcement where Council will write to the resident about the issue and encourage them to contact Council so they can be further educated on what can and cannot be put in each bin. The letter will also advise residents that if, for example, the contamination of recycling or organic waste bins continues, the bin may be removed if appropriate or not collected on a more permanent basis.
  - Council may liaise with the owners of properties to have recycling or organic waste bins removed from the property permanently if contamination or the placement of unsafe items continues.

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<b>All policies can be reviewed or revoked by resolution of Council at anytime.</b>				

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